DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment

Request

Periodically, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) will publish a summary of information collection requests under OMB review, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these documents, call the SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer at (240) 276-0361.

Project: Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Synar Report Format, FFY 2022-2024--(OMB No. 0930-0222) -- Extension

Section 1926 of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 300x-26] stipulates that Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SABG) funding agreements for alcohol and drug abuse programs for fiscal year 1994 and subsequent fiscal years require states to have in effect a law providing that it is unlawful for any manufacturer, retailer, or distributor of tobacco products to sell or distribute any such product to any individual under the age of 21. This section further requires that states conduct annual, random, unannounced inspections to ensure compliance with the law; that the state submit annually a report describing the results of the inspections, the activities carried out by the state to enforce the required law, the success the state has achieved in reducing the availability of tobacco products to individuals under the age of 21, and the strategies to be utilized by the state for enforcing such law during the fiscal year for which the grant is sought.

Before making an award to a state under the SABG, the Secretary must make a determination that the state has maintained compliance with these requirements. If a determination is made that the state is not in compliance, penalties shall be applied. According to Public Law 116-94

("Tobacco 21"), signed on December 20, 2019, penalties are capped at 10 percent. Respondents include the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Micronesia, and the Marshall Islands. Red Lake Indian Tribe is not subject to tobacco requirements.

Regulations that implement this legislation are at 45 CFR 96.130, are approved by OMB under control number 0930-0163, and require that each state submit an annual Synar report to the Secretary describing their progress in complying with section 1926 of the PHS Act. The Synar report, due December 31 following the fiscal year for which the state is reporting, describes the results of the inspections and the activities carried out by the state to enforce the required law; the success the state has achieved in reducing the availability of tobacco products to individuals under the age of 21; and the strategies to be utilized by the state for enforcing such law during the fiscal year for which the grant is sought. SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Prevention will request an extension of OMB approval of the current report format associated with section 1926 (42 U.S.C. 300x-26) to 2024. Extending OMB approval of the current report format will continue to facilitate consistent, credible, and efficient monitoring of Synar compliance across the states.

Annual Reporting Burden

45 CFR Citation	Number of	Responses	Total	Hours per	Total
	respondents	per	number	response	hour
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			responses		
Annual Report (Section 1	59	1	59	15	885
States and Territories)					
96.130(e)(1-3)					
State Plan (Section II-	59	1	59	3	177
States and Territories)					
96.130(e)(4,5)96.130(g)					
Total	59		118		1,062

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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent

within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain . Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

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